ing to a Close.

HEARING THE DEFENSE'S WITNESSES

Trial of McKane of Gravesend Draw-

Friends of Accused Hoping for a "Hung" Jury.

CURRENT SPECULATIONS with murder.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 7.-The McKane trial is drawing to a close, but the public inter-

The defense is calling witnesses with the view of proving that the copyists were not prevented by McKane's orders from copying the registry lists. The defense also strives to show that the copyists and others who were sent to Gravesend on or about election day were drunk and disorderly. This is done to offset the testimony that they were treated roughly at the instance

Many of his friends and henchmen were in court today prepared to aid him with their testimony or keep up his courage by ow that the trial is nearing the end considerable speculation is being indulged in as to how the jury will stand on the verdict. he could not be happy near the girl, and

McKane's friends hope for a disagreement, and some claim that it will be about 9 to 3 in favor of conviction.

On the other side they claim there can be but one verdict, and that will be for conviction, and say that a disagreement is

some talk about the defense calling the 1,500 Gravesenders who voted in the second election district, with a view to proving that every man voted last election day, but it is not likely they will be

question.

SENATOR WALTHALL'S SUCCESSOR. Sketch of the Career of A. J. McLaurin of Mississippi.

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 7 .- A. J. McLaurin, who was nominated last night as United States Senator, was born in Rankin county, Miss., March 26, 1848. Before he was a year old his father moved

to Smith county, Miss., and there he was raised on a farm, just as the average country boy is raised. He attended school when the condition of the crop would permit, and when not at school he buckled down to hard work in the cotton and corn

fields.

A short time before the close of the war he enlisted as a private. At that time he was only sixteen years old, and serving only for the defense relating to Martin Burke and portions relating to Patrick O'Sullivan and portions relating to Patrick O'Sullivan contented himself with serving in the should be omitted. "ranks." When the war closed he returned to Smith county. In 1867, at the age of nineteen, he completed his education. The day after he returned from school he re-sumed his occupation at the plow, to assist

sumed his occupation at the plow, to assist his father in restoring, as far as possible, the lesses sustained by the war. During the day he worked on the farm and at night studied has over a pine knot and at night studied has over a pine knot and at night studied law over a pine know-fire. In 1868, at Raleigh, Smith county, he was admitted to the bar and at once began a lucrative practice. Three years later he was elected district attorney of district, which office he ably the fifth district, which office he ably filled. He proved an indefatigable prose-cutor of all misdoers.

In 1876 Mr. McLaurin moved to Brandon In 1876 Mr. McLaurin moved to Brandon, where he has since lived and practiced his profession, enjoying one of the largest practices in the state. He is regarded as one of the leading criminal lawyers of the state. In 1879 he was elected to the legislature, and in 1888 he was elected elector for the state at large on the democratic ticket. He was a leading figure in the constitutional convention of 1892. He has always been a democrat.

McLaurin is married and is the father of seven daughters and one son. Mr. McLaurin is an uncompromising advocate of the free and unlimited coinage of silver and won the fight on that plat-

NIHILISTS OPPOSE THE TROOPS. A Stubborn Resistance to Soldiers in the tral Mountains.

BERLIN, Feb. 7 .- 4 special dispatch to the Vossisches Zeitung from Perm, Russia. says that a riot took place on January 26 at the large iron works at Nizhnee Taghilsk, in the Ural mountains, and that 5,000 workmen took part in the disturbances, which are attributed to low wages and the nihilistic propaganda.

The arrival of the troops did not seem to have much effect upon the rioting iron is unknown. workers until the soldiers were ordered to fire upon the rioters. A fierce conflict en-sued, during which many of the rioters were killed and a number of the soldiers were

either shot or stoned to death.

The rioters finally made such a flerce attack upon the troops that the latter were repulsed and driven to seek shelter in a position which they fortified while await-ing assistance. Eventually an additional force of troops were summoned and th

combined force succeeded in quelling the disturbance.
It is said that the nihilists are spreading their propaganda in a similar manner in many parts of Russia and that the au-

SACKETT APPEALS IN VAIN. His Father Refuses to Help Him in

the most energetic steps to arrest the ni-

have been called upon to take

His Disgrace. CHICAGO, Feb. 7 .- A special to the Tribune from Grand Rapids, Mich., says:

Hackley Sackett, the silhouette artist, arrested in Topeks, after eloping with an Elkhart, Ind., heiress, yesterday wired his father, who lives here, a pathetic appeal for funds to help him out of his scrape. The message was returned to the telegraph office marked "refused." Thirty years ago Sackett senior was one of the best known lecture and concert managers in the country, and gave his boy a superior education. When he lost both his health and money the boy ignored him, and the broken-down old man came here and began peddling old man came here and began peddling newspapers about the hotels. He is still doing this and is now worth \$12,000 or \$15,- and Manassas railroad, which is to connect

A New York Hotel Man's Death. NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- J. G. Weaver, the senior member of John Weaver & Company, proprietors of the Everett House, that hotel early this morning of

Mr. Weaver, who was fifty-four years of age, was well known throughout the country. His home was at Newport, R. I., but

he usually spent the winter months in New State owns stock in the latter room Sinking of Chicago's "L" Road.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- A special from Chicago says: A section of the Alley L track 200 feet long sank three feet last night. Two trains were standing on the track at the time, and it was only with the greatest difficulty that the trainmen prevented the passengers from jumping to the ground. A panic ensued, but no one was hurt. The slump occurred in a soft piece of ground near Hubbard court.

The School Question in Manitoba OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 7.-The government has adopted a minute in council advising the governor-general that the school ordinance whereby separate or Catholic schools in Manitoba and the Northwest Territory are to be discontinued be not interfered with, as the province has jurisdiction to pass such laws.

Suicide of a Widow.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 7 .- This morning Mrs. Emily Bracegirlt, thirty-eight years of age, committed suicide at her residence in this city by cutting her throat with a azor. Mrs. Bracegirlt had been despondent ince the death of her husband a short time ago. Three children survive her, the young-

Must Explain the Private Still. SOUTH BEND, Ind., Feb. 7 .- An illicit still with seven barrels moonshine whisky was seized near Bremen, Marshall county, today and Farmer John Lacer is in the hands of revenue officers to explain his possession of it. Lacer was prominent in Marshall county cer was prominent in Marshall county

CHARGED WITH A SISTER'S MURDER The Latest Sensation in Pacific Coast

Criminal Records. SANTA ROSA, Cal., Feb. 7 .- Mrs. Elizabeth Bryan and Mrs. Mary Jane Fowler, with the former's sixteen-year-old son John, the Secretary of the Interior. It is a were arrested last night charged with the lengthy document and consists principally murder, on January 22, of the women's of technical details of the progress of the blind sister, Mrs. Nancy Meagher. Mrs. various branches of scientific work. Meagher and her husband were fired upon through the window as they sat at the twenty-eight states and territories, making THE PROPOSAL TO RECOMNIT table, the woman being instantly killed, but 26,000 square miles, the area surveyed during the husband will recover. The blind wo- the year. The total area surveyed since the man's sisters were said to be covetous of organization of the survey is 573,000 square The Majority Say Nothing, but cerned are prominent people.

Vallejo township. She biuntly refused him

lionaires, known the world over, and later

NEARING THE END.

Testimony in the Coughlin Case About

All Given.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7 .- The end of the fa-

at hand. At the opening of the court to-

The matter was left largely to the de-cision of Mrs. Coughlin, the faithful little

woman, who has been in constant atten-dance at the trial. Coughlin's father was

appealed to frequently by the attor-

The prisoner himself had little to say, and

was evidently trusting to the judgment of

TO IMPROVE FOOT BALL.

Walter Camp Makes Some Sugges

tions Regarding Changes.

foot ball expert, was the attraction at the

fifth smoke talk of the University Club last

Mr. Camp gave an interesting review of

the development of foot ball in this coun-

try and ventured some suggestions as to possible means of improving the game by

possible means of improving the game by changes in the rules. He said that the simplest of all changes should be, first, change no rule in the entire code save that

that wherever a player is caught with the ball in his possession it shall go to the op-

ponents. Then there are two things he would like to see done. The first is to have

The second point to be gained is to reduce

Fire Sweeps Mahanoy City.

MAHANOY CITY, Pa., Feb. 7.-Fire this

morning destroyed the Merchants' House,

Harry Stein's meat market, Michael Cully's

saloon, Harry Heiser's clothing establish-

ment, John Adams' grocery and John Drum's barber shop, entailing an aggregate loss of \$40,000, partially insured. The fire

originated in the bath room of the Mer-chants' House, and the guests were com-pelled to flee from the burning building in

Mardi Gras Celebration at Mexico.

large as ever in this city. There were but few maskers on the pasco, but that variety

of entertainment which is customary was

in full sway at night at the National Theater, which presented a gay scene.

Launching at Chester.

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 7.-The steamer

be launched from Roach's ship yard today.

The boat is a sister ship to the Jamestown,

now nearing completion, and is the only

vessel now on the stocks at the Chester

yard. After the launching a number of men will be discharged, and unless new

The Richmond and Manassas Road.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 7.-The house

committee on roads this morning consider-

ed the bill to incorporate the Richmond

at Manassas with a line for which the Bal-

No action was taken in regard to the

It is said that the Richmond and Day

and Fredericksburg railroad as long as the

The Ford's Theater Building.

bill, reported to the House this morning, was

an item of \$11.958 for the repair of Ford's

plans of the board of engineer officers, and \$2,000 for the rent of temporary quarters

for the fish commission pending the repair of the armory building.

THE COURTS.

Equity Court, Division 1-Justice Cox.

Today—In re Sarah J. Sheahan, Julia Audley and Abraham I. Jacobs, alleged lunatics, writs de lunatico ordered. Hale

agt. Haie; testimony ordered taken by E. Forrest. Estes agt. Estes; do. by W. Her-

overruled; leave to answer.

bert Smith. Bartley agt. Arnold; demurrer

Deeds in fee have been filed as follows:

Louisa Crystal to Wm. Dubois, sub 3, sq.

1012; \$4,125. W. H. Ireland to M. W. Moore

1-14th interest pt. 12, sq. 116; \$-, L. Pev-

ton to Sarah L. Key, pt. sub 11, lot 3, Barry

Farm; \$700. D. Carroll Digges to C. W. Fairfax, pt. sub 91, sq. 555; \$2,000. W. E. Wright to C. F. Norment et al., lot 20, blk.

Solution C. F. Norment et al., lot 20, blk.

3. T. and B.'s sub Mt. Pleasant, &c.; \$-.

Emma A. Clifford to C. G. Beebe, subs 36

and 37, sq. 275; and subs 21 to 25, sq. s.

of 825; \$-. C. G. Beebe to Julia M. Clifford,

Stock Brokers at Dinner.

The members of the Washington stock ex-

change were entertained at a banquet last

evening at Harvey's by Mr. Benjamin P. year, consisting of more than 60,000 days.

Theater building in accordance with the

Among the provisions of the deficiency

timore and Ohio has obtained a charter.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

will oppose the bill.

There

the

postponed.

their night clothes. The cause of the

the playing time to two half hours.

making a fair catch protected.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.-Walter Camp, the Yale

to be United States Senator.

duct the case to close."

her wealth and the arrests were made at miles, in forty-seven states and territories. the instance of the coroner's jury. All con- This is divided by states as follows: Alabama, 15,820; Arizona, 41,000; Arkansas The suspects were arrested at Petaluma 15,000; California, 32,960; Colorado, 34,815; and brought here to the county jail, charged Connecticut (completed), 4,900; Delaware, 15; District of Columbia, 70; Florida, 1,900; Both women loudly asserted their inno-Georgia, 14,275; Idaho, 9,540; Illinois, 3,875 Both women loudly asserted their inno-cence, but the boy, who is believed to have fired the fatal charge at the instigation of his mother and aunt, made compromising statements when closely questioned. He was locked up away from the women. When Mr. Meagher regained consciousness after the discovery of the crime, he declared that immediately after the transfer at the complete of Hampshire (completed), 7,815; New Mexico, 27,800; New York, 3,886; North Carolina, that immediately after the tragedy, as he 27.860; New York, 3.886; North Carollna, lay wounded in his house, he heard the two 10,700; North Dakota, 900; Ohlo, 50; Oklasisters of his wife and young Bryan talk-ing in the adjoining room and expressing pleasure that he was dead. The accused homa, 1,750; Oregon, 11,000; Pennsylvania, 5,887; Rhode Island (completed), 1,250; South Carolina, 4,350; South Dakota, 3,310; Tennessee, 17,005; Texas, 52,080; Utah, 6,000;

THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Some Facts From the Annual Report

of Maj. Powell.

Topographic surveys were carried on in

women and boy deny that they were even in the vicinity of Meagher's ranch.

A strange romance comes to light in connection with the murder. Away back in the early fifties Mrs. Bryan, one of the accused sisters, was Miss Elizabeth Hardin. She was sought in marriage by James G. Fair, an impecunious young man, who was making a poor living as deputy assessor for Vallejo township. She biuntly refused him During the early part of the fiscal year the on account of his poverty. Fair declared field parties engaged in geological work were entirely reorganized, owing to a large reduction of appropriations.

she sent him away with a broken heart. He went to Comstock Range, there to be-come one of the four of the Bonanza mil-A large reduction of the force employed in paleontological work was made necessary by small appropriations, and several former divisions were consolidated into one division, in charge of the chief paleontol-

ogist.

The investigation of the hydrographic force has resulted in the tabulation of some continuous transfer of the continuous important figures, showing a great interest in the subject of running waters of the country. Steps are already being taken, it is stated, to use at least the smaller mous Coughlin trial is unexpectedly near streams for water power and irrigation. A rough computation, based on the results of stream measurements and census figday Judge Wing of the defense moved an adjournment until tomorow, and anrounced that the defense's testimony was ures, indicates, it is cited, that the about completed. "Only a few days more ning streams of the arid region, when all remain before the defense will rest its are used, will have a value of at least case," said the attorney, "Before we close \$600,000,000. For the topographical work case," said the attorney. "Before we close cast of the 97th meridian, under the direcwe desire a day in which to look over our tion of Henry Gannett, \$20,000 was allotted. evidence and see if it cannot be shortened. Furthermore, I am ill, and not able to con-A. H. Thompson. An additional \$60,900 was allotted for work in the two Dakotas, Ne-braska, Kansas and Oklahoma.

Judge Tuthill granted the adjournment upon the recommendation of Assault State's Attorney Bottum.

After the court room had been cleared Coughlish his father and wife, together with Judge Wing and Attorney Donaghue, held a long consultation. Two questions the year amounted to \$423,022, against an appropriation of \$430,073.

A Great and Favorable Change in His Condition.

Commissioner Parker's health continues to steadily improve, and there is a great and favorable change in his appearance and spirits. He is, however, still kept indoors by his physician, under the system of treat-ment which has proved so beneficial, in or-der that fullness and permanence of recovery may be assured.

JUDGE JENKING CASE.

Pressure to Be Brought for an Investigation Into His Conduct.

junction, with a view of securing his im- lieved that whatever changes are made peachment, are determined to press the matter as vigorously as possible. On Friday Mr. McGann, who introduced the resolution Mr. McGann, who introduced the resolution inquiring into Judge Jenkins' conduct, and others seeking Jenkins' impeachment, will appear before the committee on judiciary to urge a favorable report of the resolution. It is a favorable report of the resolution. The sugar duty reported the labor organizations will appear to tree favorable action by the committee. It is not a mere investigation they want, but they are determined, if possible, to nave articles of impeachment reported, if they can ticles of impeachment reported, if they can

CONSIDERING DISTRICT BILLS.

Measures Discussed by the House District Committee Today.

The House District committee held a short meeting today, at which two bills were conof actions to quiet titles to real estate in the District was discussed for some time, but action upon it was deferred until the next meeting. The bill providing regulations for the branding and sale of bottles was then taken up, and after a short discussion it was decided to give the representative of Bottlers' Association a hearing next

MEXICO CITY, Mexico, Feb. 7.-The Wednesday.

The committee authorized Chairman
Heard to obtain permission from the House Mardi Gras celebration in the City of Mexico was a brilliant event. The Boulevard of the Pasco de La Reforma was thronged to print the testimony taken in the gas investigation, so that members may have copies of the testimony before them when with over 1,300 equipages, and 50,000 people. Three military bands played at different points along the pasco, and the exhibition of wealth and beauty was as committee proceeds to act upon the result of the hearings.

THE WOOL GROWERS.

A Memorial to Be Presented to Congress Being Prepared.

The National Association of Wool Growers at their session today decided to me-Yorktown of the Old Dominion line will moralize Congress for the purpose of securing hearings before the Senate finance committee on the subject of the woolen industry as affected by the Wilson bill. There will be appended to the memorial the statements of the representatives of the different wool-growing states.

contracts are received, times will be very dull for the remainder of the winter at the works. An effort was made to get the Yorktown off yesterday, but the tallow was found to be frozen, and the launch was yesterday's meeting asking that a date be restreated. yesterday's meeting asking that a date be fixed by the finance committee for hearing fixed by the finance committee for hearing a committee of the association. Senator Voorhees informed the committee that no hearings would be given. Hence, they say, memorial will be presented to it probably omorrow. Columbus Delano of Mount Vernon, Ohio. formerly Secretary of the Interior, arrived here today to attend the sessions of the

Changes in the Treasury

bill, and the committee will meet again Changes continue to be made in the varithis afternoon to further consider the measous bureaus of the Treasury Department. but the operation is so quiet and gradual that it has caused no unusual excitement. The force in the office of the supervising architect is being reorganized. The salaries of ten clerks have been reduced, and the amount thus realized has been added to the salaries of ten other clerks.

The following promotions have been made in the supervising architection. ville and probably the Chesapeake and Ohio nere is a provision in the charter that road shall not parallel the Richmond

The following promotions have been made in the supervising architect's office, Treasury Department: Thos. P. Clarke, from \$1,800 to assistant chief computing fivision at \$2,000; Geo. W. Deitrick, from \$1,200 to \$1,600; C. D. Mecutchen, from \$1,200 to \$1,600; Jas. C. McGuire, from \$6 per diem to \$7 per diem to \$7 per diem.

Fourth-Class Postmasters.

association.

The total number of fourth-class postmasters appointed today was 59. Of this number 35 were to fill vacancies caused by death and resignations and the remainder by removals. J. H. Grossclose was appointed at Tillson's Mill, Va., vice E. V. Tillson, removed; J. M. Roeder was appointed at Hosensack, Md., vice J. S. Moyer, resigned. Twenty-four states and

William Landers, colored, was, some

time since, released under suspension of sentence after a plea of guilty of keeping a gaming table. He was arrested by Sergeant Shilling in a raid on 10th street northwest on Saturday night last, and was before Justice Cole this afternoon. District Attorney Birney called the court's attention to the former case, when Judge Cole sen-tenced him to two years in the Albany penitentiary. "Oh, Lord, judge, don't send me to the penitentiary," exclaimed the

"This gambling," said the judge, "must be broken up, and to the penitentiary you will have to go." There are 3,000,000 bachelors in this counWAITING GAME

Director John W. Powell of the geological survey has submitted his annual report to Plans for the Minority of the Senate Finance Committee.

Keep at Work.

SOME OF THE CHANGES

The democratic subcomittee of the committee on finance charged with preparing the tariff bill for the committee met again in Senator Vest's room at the Capitol this morning, and continued its work upon the tariff bill. The republican members of the finance committee have not yet absolutely decided what course they will pursue in view of the decision not to grant hearings on the Wilson bill before reporting it to the Senate, but they are very much inclined to take no action until the bill shall be reported to the Senate, when, if no opportunity shall have been granted for interested parties to appear before the committee, they will in all probability move to recommit the bill for the purpose of taking testimony on the merits of the bill.

They have canvassed several plans, but evidently the leaning is in this direction. They say that a resolution directing the committee to grant hearings to those applying would be premature, for the reason that the committee may yet possibly reverse its decision not to grant hearings and that possibility will exist until the report shall have

Senator Hale's resolution in the interest of those wishing to appear before the committee will be discussed in the meantime, and some republicans are anxious for an opportunity to vote upon it because of the pressure which is being brought to bear upon them by their constituents, but it does not look now as if it would be adopted. The Republican Policy.

It is evident that the republican policy, so far as it has been decided upon, is to be for delay, and the main purpose of postponing any attempt to secure action concerning hearings before the report of the committee is made is in line with that policy.

A motion to recommit would afford an opportunity for considerable debate, and if it should by any possibility carry, it would prove to be demoralizing to the democratic majority. The republicans, of course, realize that the chances are largely against them on a vote, but they count upon some democratic dissatisfaction with the bill after it shall be reported, and consider that there is a bare possibility of its being sufficient to aid them in their purpose.

The democratic subcommittee is proceed-ing in its work with the utmost secrecy. The meetings are held in Senator Vest's room and the two doors leading to the room are kept locked to keep out intruders. They also avoid calling attention to the meeting by failing to have on duty the sentinel who is usually placed on the outside of committee room when a committee is

Plans of the Majority.

The indications are that the work on the tariff bill is progressing very smoothly and latter, on March 17, 1887, that the purpose to report the bill within ten days after its receipt by the committee will be carried out. While all public hearings are denied, suggestions of ail The parties who are interested in trying ered. It is believed that the only important to secure an investigation of the conduct of changes in the bill will be the imposition of Judge Jenkins, in giving his anti-strike in- a duty on sugar and on coal, and it is bewill be made in the committee and that the committee's report will be sustained by all democrats when it reaches the Senate. The

that some of the higher duties of the Wil-son bill will be reduced.

Now Being Printed.

It is understood that a draft of the tariff It is understood that a draft of the tariff bill as revised by the subcommittee of the democratic members of the subcommittee the matter of opening the street, once for democratic members of the subcommittee is now being printed at the government printing office. Among the changes which are said to have been made is 1 cent per pound on all kinds of sugar, 2 cents per right on, and the District Commissioners round on coffee, 30 cents per ton on coal are at last seeing "daylight ahead" in this sidered. The bill providing for the bringing pound on all kinds of sugar, 2 cents per and a duty on iron ore; also that the bonded period for whisky is made five instead of three years. It is also understood that the intention is to report the bill next week. The income tax remains in the bill.

As It is Being Directed by the Central Relief Committee.

The number of applicants for food and clothing at the headquarters of the central relief committee, on Louisiana avenue between 6th and 7th streets, was much smaller today. The decrease in the number was due largely, the officials in charge say, to the fact that it has now become quite generally known to the distressed ones that their wants will be more systematically supplied upon application to the police precincts and other distributing depots of the committee. No great decrease in the numer of applicants is reported from depots, however, although the relaxed se-ve ity of the weather has, of course, nat-urally caused a slight decrease in the number seeking aid. There is, however, so ommittee is informed, a great deal of suf-ering here at the present time, and the committee hope that the charitably inclined people of the District will relax not in effort to provide food, clothing and fuel for the usands who today suffer throughout the

isions will be sent by the committee to the tssociated Charities for distribution. The committee stated today that the daily supoly of clothing continues to be very satisfactory, and that the contributions of provisions is fairly so. The committee wish it known, however, that the provisions mostly desired at the present time are meats and vegetables. The supply of flour has been very generous, but the committee say that very generous, but the committee say that often the flour requires other ingredients in preparing it for food, which in many cases the distressed people are unable to get. Meal is not so difficult of preparation. and the committee therefore suggest that meal would be more preferable. The police of the eighth precinct report

that 285 applications from poor families for relief are on file at the precinct, in the northern part of the city. All of the cations have been investigated and found to be worthy.

THE AQUEDUCT BRIDGE.

How a Street Railroad May Cross the West Footway. Senator Gibson today, by request, introduced a bill for the reconstruction of the

Aqueduct bridge, which was referred to the committee on the District of Columbia. The bill authorizes the District Commissioners to enter into contract with any strest railroad company now chartered or in the state of Virginia to either reconstruct that part of the Aqueduct bridge now occupied by the west footway or to lay thereon a single track for the use of street railways. The work is to be done under the supervision of the Engineer Commissioner of the District. The Commissioners may authorize any same street. sioners may authorize any street railway which shall terminate on the Virginia side to cross on the track so constructed, provided that the said company shall enter into a contract to pay to the District a sum to be fixed by the contract, which shall not be less than one tenther. not be less than one-tenth of one cent for each passenger carried over the br The company reconstructing the br shall be entitled to a rebate to the am commissioners are empowered to authorize or to compel any street railway company of the District which terminates or passes at or near the north end of the bridge to construct a continuation of their lines so as to connect at the north end of the bridge with the lines crossing it.

as to connect at the north end of the bridge with the lines crossing it.

The money derived from these contracts shall be appropriated by the Commissioners to keeping the bridge in repair and the surplus shall pass into the treasury of the United States. Horse power is only to be used on the lines crossing the bridge and the use of any other power is to operate as a forfeiture of the contract. try over thirty.

The planet of Neptune has the longest

HEALTH OF THE DISTRICT.

The Generally Low Death Rate Fortunately Continues.

The report of Dr. C. M. Hammett, health officer, for the week ending February 3, 1804, shows: Number of deaths, 95-white, 52; colored, 43. Death rate per 1,000 per annum: White, 13.8; colored, 24.8; total population 17.3

The principal causes of death were: Diphtheria, 6; consumption, 5; malarial fever, street between 14th and Howard avenue 2; pneumonia, 9; congestion of the lungs, 6; be added to the schedule in lieu thereof. bronchitis, 4; measles, 1; whooping cough, 3; kidney diseases. 2; meningitis, 1; can-That a sewer be constructed in 15th street extended between Morris and Erie streets, under the provision of the compulsory percers. 4: catarrhal influenza. 7.

Births reported, 107; marriages reported,

The general health conditions of the says the health officer, as indicated by the death returns, remain favorable, conse-quently the low death rate of week before last continued through the last week. The total number of fatal cases from all causes was 95, as compared with 94 previously re-ported, with a rate of 17.3 for the total population. During the corresponding period of last year there were 112 deaths reported, giving a rate of 22.4.

Infant mortality increased from 25 to 35 of those under five years of age. With the exception of four from diphtheria and of the same number from brain and malarial and catarrhal ailments, the causes of death in these cases were of those incident to childhood and childbirth. The influenza caused seven deaths. This

malady evidently seems to be on the de-cline. In the second week of January thirteen deaths occurred therefrom. In the third week ten fatal cases, while in the fourth week these amounted to thirteen, while last week they fell to seven. No case of typhoid fever came to the knowledge of the health department, and but two cases of malarial fevers. Now is that season of the year when corsumption causes its maximum mortality. The small number of victims from this terrible disease, five in all, Indi-cates the mild influence of the winter weather. The proposition that "consump-tion can be cured" is rapidly gaining advocates among the faculty, and this belief is stimulating scientific investigation, both at home and abroad, in regard to its remedial treatment. There were twelve new cases of diphtheria and eight of scarlet rash, with six deaths from the former and none from

THE CEMETERY SOCIETY WINS. An Old Controversy Ended-The Exsion of North Capitol Street.

Another chapter in the Prospect Hill cemetery controversy found its conclusion by a decision rendered in the court of appeals yesterday. It brought the question of ownership to a final settlement.

The court affirmed the decision rendered some time ago by Justice Bradley in the suit of the Prospect Hill Cemetery Society, composed of the lotholders, against the socalled German Evangelical Society. The latter was incorporated December 16, 1886, Messrs. Geo. F. Schaefer, W. Scherger, Geo, C. Walker, Louis Kettler, A. Toepfer and John Heider being named as the incorporators. The last named was one of the trustees to whom the land now constituting the cemetery grounds, a little over seventeen acres, was conveyed on September i, 1858, for the benefit of the original society. Forgetting completely that they had dis-charged this trust in August, 1873, when a quit claim deed was executed by them to the complainant (the Prospect Hill Cemetery Society), and duly recorded, the trus-tees, Messrs. Walter and Heiler, on Decem-ter 11, 1886, executed another deed to the defendant, on the strength of which the filed in the office of the surveyor of the District a subdivision of the cemetery land, whereoy a large portion of it was reserved for building lots. They also gave permission at the to have North Capitol street cut through, democratic Senators are heard and consid-eral. It is believed that the only important was prevented by its charter from giving such authority, and they placed thereby the then Engineer Commissioner, Major Ludlow, in the unpleasant attitude of a District official who deliberately trespassed upon the rights of others when he proceeded to have the street cut through at e time. All will be remembered the readers of The Star, an injunction, the time. afterwards made permanent, was obtained against him by the society now recognized as th rightful owner of Prospect Hill as th rig Cemetery. Judge Bradley's decision, issued in the equity court, as now confirmed by

court of appeals, vacates this deed of Dcember 17, 1886, and also the recorded

The District Commissioners, it is said will now be able, should the jury which is to assess the value of the ground rewith the parties recognizable this decision as the rightful owners. The work of preparing the ground for the openmatter which has so sorely vexed them for

A Word for Kindergertens.

To the Editor of The Evening Star: In the autumn of 1879 Felix Adler, with the aid of a few friends, interested, like himself, in solving the problem of a better social condition of the poor, established a free kindergarten in that slum of slums in San Francisco, "the Barbary Coast." These good men "builded better than they knew," for the outcome of that effort is the existence in that city today of thirty-five free kindergartens, suported by commercial and beneficent organizations and by private individuals as memorial work. Perhaps in no city of the country is the kindergarten conduceted on so thoroughly ideal a plan as in San Francisco. The business men there. with sagacious foresight, have taken up this question as one of social economics, and five of the thirty-five schools there are sustained by commercial and professional estate dealers, the insurance companies, the merchants and the attorneys. men haves sid: "We must stop paying atten-tion to the branches and attend to the roots of the tree. The root of the matter deep down the bed rock of infant at the earliest possible age. Laws and constitutions cannot save the nation it is true character that will save the ha-

on, and character is a growth, not a crea-According to the last report of the Golden Gate Kindergarten Association the resume of the work prepared for the exposition at Chicago, 13.346 children in San Francisco have had the benefit of kindergarten instruction in the past thirteen years. At the close of the eleventh year of the work of the 8,000 children of the kindergarten, after a most searching investigation of their records, but a single one was known to have ords, but a single one was known to have been arrested for petty offense, and this a feeble-minded boy, with an inborn mania for setting fire to things. Can the taxpayers of the District read this statement without realizing the advan-tage of founding kindergartens over main-tairing referenters.

taining reformatory institutions?

The benefactions of Mr. Stanford and Mrs. Hearst in this direction of infant training are too well known to need men-tion here, but it may not be so generally known that Mrs. Hearst has taken the initial step for the existence of such fortia fourteen years ago, in the beautiful kindergarten established this winter at her expense at 2027 H street northwest. She is not here to watch its progress, but she is regarding with deep interest the attitude of this community toward a school, which some prominent philanthropic ladies Washington are arranging an entertain terial outcome will bear a true relation to the artistic program to be rendered, and prove a worthy recognition of Mrs. Hearst's desire for an ideal kindergarten, and a permanent one withal for Washington.

THE DESTROYER GOES SOUTH Peixoto's Fleet Preparing for a Move-

ment on the Rebels. PERNAMBUCO, Brazil, Feb. 7.-The subnarine torpedo boat Destroyer and five of

the latest torpedoes, which have arrived here from Germany, left here today for the south. It is believed that the vessels which have just gone south are bound for Bahia, where they will join the rest of the President Peixoto's fleet, preparatory to a movement in force upon the rebels at Rio de Janeiro.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 7 .- A company with a capital of 20,000,000 roubles is

formed here in order to establish a large steamship company which will run a line of steamers between Odessa and the United States. It is said that this scheme origin-ated during the visit of some Russians to the world's fair at Chicago.

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

Today's Orders The Commissioners today ordered:

That the bridge over the water main in

heretofore ordered to be laid in Morris street between 6th and 7th streets north-

east.
That the sewer ordered to be laid in

A License to Plumber Tilp.

sociation of the District of Columbia, a

Needs of the Parking Commission.

ceived a letter from Parking Commis-

Notes.

K street northwest at a cost of \$25,000.

has been notified by the Com-

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

Action on Liquor Licenses.

Turner, 1005 7th street southeast; Charles

J. Collins, 1847 L street northwest; Edward

The applications of Bernard A. McDon-eli, 11e2 Sth street southeast; William Mc-

Coy, 1332 32d street northwest, and John E. Rockett, 202 41-2 street southwest, were

Notes.

The Commissioners have received for re-

port House bill 557; "To incorporate the

DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.

Penalties for Arrears.

THE COURTS.

mit system

lowing order:

if possible.

That a receiving basin be constructed at the northeast corner of 16th and Gales Manipulation of Industrials Temstrests, chargeable to current appropriation for suburban sewers. porarily Dropped. That the proposed sewers for Central

avenue and Crescent street be omitted from the current suburban sewer schedule and

that the construction of a sewer in Center PLANS FOR REORGANIZING

FINANCE AND TRADE.

Sugar Hopeful of Senatorial Ac-

That the bridge over the water main is the Kenesaw avenue between 14th and 16th streets northwest be leveled to grade. That a closed cover be placed on manhole in front of Florida avenue, instead of GENERAL MARKET REPORTS.

tion.

present perforated cover.

That a sewer be constructed in D street between 10th and 11th streets southeast, under the provisions of the permit system.

That alley in square 288 be repaired and paid for out of appropriation for current re-Special Disputch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- Today's stock mar-

pairs to streets, avenues and alleys.

That a four-inch water main be laid in the alleys of square 800 in lieu of main ket was almost wholly without incident, news of every character being scarce and the manipulation of the industrials temporarily discontinued. Early prices reflected an improvement varying from 1-4 to 1-2 per cent and were well held in spite square 14. Georgetown, be laid under the of the duliness. London had taken on a provisions of the compulsory permit system. more cheerful air over night and the marmore cheerful air over night and the mar-The Commissioners today issued the fol- value was improved from 1-2 to 3-4 per ket for securities having an international cent. The withdrawal of all opposition to "That at the request of a representative the Erie plan of reorganization had a good committee from the Master Plumbers' As- effect abroad and led to a general scarcity of the stock in the local market.

license as master plumber be issued to The various reorganization plans now un-Frederick Tilp, whose license as master der consideration, with the exception of the plumber was revoked on November 28. Union Pacific, are meeting with the ap-1893, for non-compliance with the plumbing proval and co-operation of stockholders and regulations, and that said Tilp be warned some very satisfactory results are expected that any future violations or disregard of such regulations will involve a revocation of said license and his permanent debarin the near future, which will lead to an advance in the securities of the several ment from approval or registry as a mas- properties. The decision of the Senate finance com-

mittee to dispense with all hearings on the Engineer Commissioner Powell has retariff bill is encouraging from a speculative standpoint, as operators will engage sioners John Saul and William Saunders, in in no new ventures until the element of unwhich they request that the appropriation certainty is reduced by a final disposition for parking improvements be increased to of the subject. \$25,000. They state that the needs of the Sugar people are confident that they will

commission demand an increase, and that the \$18,000 which has annually been appropriated for the commission during the past chances for any change in the schedule relative to refined sugar are not good, but should the provision of the bill fall short twenty years is too small for the growing needs of the District. They urge, there-fore, that the amount required be obtained of raising the accessary revenue for governmental expenses this commodity may be taxed slightly. The tax on whisky, it is rumored, is likely to be increased in excess of the \$1.10 limit, recently asked for by friends of that industry. Should this prove correct the large short interests A building permit was issued today to James W. Wadsworth to erect house 1337 prove correct the large short interest in Distillers will be severely squeezed before outstanding contracts can be covered. The unprecedented rates for wheat have led to the belief that western holdings of the The United States Electric Lighting Company has been notified by the Commission-ers to remove an unused electric light pole from alley in square 163 to a point to be Granger stocks may be forced to liquidate in order to protect their grain operations. No practical demonstration of this theory has yet been made, but traders show no inclination to speculate in this class of stocks while the prospect of sudden forced Applications for liquor licenses were liquidation confronts them.

At the beginning of the last hour prices taken up by the excise board yesterday and disposed of as follows: Granted-John E.

rallied slightly, Sugar and Distillers' showing gains of 1 1-2 and 1 per cent respec-tively. National Cordage was weak on self-ing orders and lost 2 1-8 per cent, to 15 3-8. C. Bradley, 943 B street northwest; Dennis Brooker, 1229 D street northwest; William H. small to attract attention or need any analysis, traders being entirely responsible for The applications of Responsible for the applications of Responsible for the slight variations in the sight variations in the sight variations of the sight variations of the sight variations of the sight variations in the sight variations of the sight variations of the sight variations in the rational list were too the slight variations in price. Money was freely offered on call at 1 per cent, and time accommodations continue unchanged. The clearing house statement shows ex changes \$6,052,365 and the subtreasury's debit balance \$577,245. The market closed dull at fractional declines from best prices.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Boundary and National Park Elevated Rail-The following are the opening, the highest and the lowest and the closing prices of the New York stock market today, as reported by Corson & Macartteey, members New York stock exchange, Correspondents Messes, Moore & Schley, No. 50 road Company in the District of Columbia.

High. 8/96 8:36 Mr. Heard has introduced a bill in the House (by request) amending that part of March 3, 1877, relating to taxes, so as to impose penalty of only 1 percentum a 114 impose penalty of only 1 percentum a month on arrears of taxes. ne Island N. A. & Chicago. 8%

Today-Lewis agt. Lewis; appearance or-dered. Anderson agt. Anderson; testimony ordered taken by R. J. Murray, exr. Ebbert; do. by C. H. Gambrill, exr. Arraignments.

on trial.

In Criminal Court, division 1, Justice Mc-Comas, pleas of not guilty were entered by the following persons:

Joseph Mobley, indicted for receiving stolen property, knowing it to be such-a gold watch and chain-and Mary Mobley, larceny of the same; James Young Mayhew, in putting out the eye of Richard Con-tee; Henry, alias Wm. H. Reed, house-breaking; Elienora, alias Emma Brown, perjury in false swearing in a divorce case Henry Cole, assault with intent to kill; Edward Dwyer and John Dugan, larceny.

Gone to the Penttentiary. Warder Burke sent from the jail last

evening the following prisoners to the Albany penitentiary: Frank Johnson, housebreaking, and Ar-

thur D. Grant, larceny from the person, each six years; Joseph Smith and Charles Barnes, larceny from the person, each five years; Charles Williams, second offense, petit larceny; George Jones, Bud, alias Brice Norris, each three years; Ellis Pat-ton, second offense, petit larceny, and Bessie Hill, alias Morris, grand larceny, each

Stricken With Paralysis. About 6 o'clock last evening a white man

of about fifty years of age was suddenly attacked with paralysis at the corner of 7th street and Pennsylvania avenue, and was taken to the Emergency Hospital. On his person were several hundred dollars and some papers indicating that his name is John Barry. A Verdict for Defendant.

United States agt. W. Z. Partello et al., on the bond of a defaulting road contractor, Chicago Grain and Provision Markets. Reported by Slisby & Co., bankers and brokers. Metropolitan Bank building:

In Circuit Court, Division 1, yesterday,

before Chief Justice Bingham, in the case of

New York Cotton.

Range of the Thermometer. The following were the readings of the thermometer at the weather bureau today: 8 a. m.,

Washington Stock Exchange. Sales-regular call—12 o'clock m.—D. C. 3.6 1,000 at 100%. American Security and Tre-

Government Bonds.—United States 4a, registered, 1907. 118% bid, 114% assed. United States 4a, coupon, 1807, 113% bid, 114% assed. United States 4a, coupon, 1807, 113% bid, 114% assed. United States 4a, coupon, 1807, 113% bid, 114% assed. United States 4a, 100 bid. Water stock currency 7e, 190 bid. Water stock currency 7e, 1900, 120 bid. 30 year Funding 6a, 201d, 116 bid. Water stock currency 7e, 1808, 120 bid. 365s, Funding currency 7e, 1808, 120 bid. 365s, Funding currency 7e, 1808, 120 bid. 365s, Funding currency 7e, 1808, 120 bid. 365s, reg 2-10s, 100 bid. Mascataneous Bonds.—Washington and Georgetown Ranirond conv. 6e, 2d, 130 bid. 150 asked. Massonic Hall Association 5a, 192 bid. Washington Market Company 1st 0s, 163 bid. Washington Market Company 1st 0s, 163 bid. Washington Market Company 1st 0s, 165 bid. Washington Market Company 1st 0s, 165 bid. Washington Market Company 1st 0s, 165 bid. Washington Security and Trust 5s, 1905, F. & A. 160 bid. Washington Light Infantry 1st 0s, 160 bid. Washington Gas Company 6a, series B, 118 bid. Washington Gas Company 6a, series B, 118 bid. Washington Gas Company 6a, series B, 118 bid. Washington Gas Company 6a, series B, 18 bid. Washington Gas Company 6a, series B, 105 bid. Series B, 100 bid. Series B, 100 bid

asked.
Railroad Stocks.—Washington and Georgetown,
250 bid, 300 asked. Metropolitan, 83 bid, 93 asked.
Columbia, 55 bid, 65 asked. Capitol and North 0
Street, 18 bid. Eckington and Soiders Home, 15
bid. Georgetown and Tennilytown, 15 bid, 22
asked. bid. Georgetown and Tenallytown, 15 bid, 32 nasked.
Insurance Stocks.—Firemen's, 42 bid, 50 asked.
Franklin, 45 bid, 50 asked. Metropolitan, 75 bid.
National Union, 11½ bid. Arlington, 152 bid. 152 asked. Columbia, 14 bid. 15½ asked. German American, 150 bid. Potonine, 75 bid. Riggs, 6½ bid, 7½ asked. People's, 5 bid, 5½ asked. Lincoln, 7½ bid, 7½ asked. Columercial, 5 bid.
Title Insurance Stocks.—Real Estate Title, 110 bid, 125 asked. Columbia Title, 6½ bid, 7½ asked.
Washington Title, 7½ asked.
Gas and Electric Light Stocks.—Washington Gas, 46 bid, 45% asked. Georgetown Gan, 48 bid. United States Electric Light, 120 bid, 125 asked.
Telephone Stocks.—Pennsylvania, 47 asked.
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American Graphophone, 2 bid.
Miscellaneous Stocks.—Washington Market, 13 bid. Great Falls ice, 120 bid, 140 asked. Buil Ran Panorama, 20 bid. Pneumatic Gan Carriage, 29 bid. Lincoln Hall, 100 asked. Inter-Ocean, 100 asked.
Sefe Deposit and Trust Corumnics.—National

asked. Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe Deposit and Trust Company, 123½ bid, 175 asked. Washington Safe Deposit, 105 asked. Washington Loss and Trust, 120 bid, 120 asked. American Security and Trust, 130½ bid, 123

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Changed—recepts 12,243 barrels; shipments, 4, barrels; sales, 125 barrels. Wheat dail and lowe No. 2 red spot. G28a628; February, 629a628 March, 64 assed; May, 664a669; steamer No. red. 50e564, -recepts, 0.849 bushels; stock, 1,198 bushels; stock, 1,308 bushels; stock, 1,198 bushels; stock, 1,408 bushels; stock, 1,408 bushels; stock, 1,414 daily; May, 424a424; steamer mixed, 404; birecepts, 16,309 bushels; stock, 807,500 bushels sales, 21,000 bushels; stock, 807,500 bushels sales, 21,000 bushels; stock, 807,500 bushels, 21,000 bushels; stock, 807,500 bushels, ale; southern corn by sam, 41a42; southern corn on grade, 405a404, 60 from No. 2 white western, 334g, No. 2 mixed weern, 334g, 33 stock, 197,442 bushels. Bye quie No. 2, 50 stock, 44,468 bushels. Hay steanetive for choice—good to choice timothy, 51bas active for choice—good to choice timothy, 51bas

Circuit Court, Division 1-Judge Bradley, Today-Frazier agt. Washington Motor Company: judgment by default and con-demnation. Klugherz agt. Brick; do., do. Linger agt. Columbia Coal Company; do., do. Richards agt. Matthews; do., do. field Rattan Company agt. Lansburgh two cases). Old National Bank of Grand Rapids agt. same, American Pin Company agt. same, Converse Manufacturing Company agt. same, Ferguson Bros. agt. same, Habn Bros. agt. Burns, Roebbinger Sons & Co. agt. W. and A. Railway Company, Long agt. Brodix Publishing Company, Rohr agt. Lucas, Emrich & Co. agt. Lowe, & Sons agt. Widdicome, Broer & Co. agt. Jamison, Oyster agt. Love, Devlin agt. Jamison, Oyster agt. Love, Devin Brown, Co. agt. Waring. Pierson & Arthur agt. Octinger, Freman agt. Ashburn, Goldstrom Bros. & Pines agt. Brossett & Co. agt. Lansburgh, Parrthern Pacific..... ker agt. Daniels, Claffin agt. Du Bois, Columbia National Bank agt. Metzerott et al and same agt. Metzerott; judgments by Circuit Court, Division 2-Chief Justice Today—Yost agt. Browning; judgment.
Adkins agt. W. and G. Railroad Company; Equity Court, Division 2-Judge Hagner